The Government have accepted the recommendations of the committee with certain amendments and the National Police Academy (NPA) have accordingly modified the courses.

The terms of reference of the committee did not include comparative study etc. of policing initiatives in foreign countries.

Communal riots in Gujarat

*253. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:
SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the communal riots in Gujarat recently have left a number of people shelterless;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total loss of life and property in the riots in the different parts of the country; and

(d) the steps taken by Government for their rehabilitation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) As on 14.3.2002, 91243 inmates have taken shelter in 96 relief camps.

(c) 673 persons were killed and 1269 persons sustained injuries in the communal violence in Gujarat which began on 27.2.2002. Besides 5326 houses, 3751 shops, 1831 cabins and 1448 vehicles were burnt and 891 shops were damaged during the said incidents in Gujarat. However, no major riots involving huge loss of life and property have been reported from other parts of the country except some sporadic incidents in a few States, which were promptly tackled by the concerned State Governments.

(d) The following emergency relief measures were announced/ taken by the Government of Gujarat:

(i) Death compensation to the next of kin of the deceased: @ Rs. One Lakh.

(ii) Injury assistance: From Rs. 2000/- to Rs. 50,000/- depending on percentages of disability.

(iii) Cash assistance Rs. 15/- per day per persons (maximum 5 persons) for 15 days.

(iv) Assistance for household kits: Rs. 1250/- per family.

(v) Assistance for earning assets to hand-cart pullers, larigalla wallas etc.: Rs. 10,000/-

(vi) Housing: Rs. 5,000/- to Rs. 50,000/- depending on damage suffered.

(vii) Assistance to Relief Camps:

The State Government has played pro-active role to support relief camps run by the Non-Governmental Organisations and essential commodities per day per head are being supplied as per the following norms:—

Wheat Flour: 400 grams, Rice: 100 grams,

Oil, Sugar, Dal, Milk Powder: @ 50 grams each.

Rs. 5/- per person per day for miscellaneous expenditure.

Extension of Interest Subsidy Scheme to New Hydel/Thermal Plants in Karnataka

*254. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Karnataka has sought extension of interest subsidy scheme to new hydel/thermal plants undertaken by the state to build up additional capacity during Tenth Plan period;

(b) whether the centre has referred the matter to power Finance Corporation for examination; and

(c) if so, the present status of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SURESH PRABHU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) There is a proposal to extend Accelerated Generation &